



ALBERTA
JUSTICE AND SOLICITOR GENERAL

*Office of the Acting Minister
MLA, Calgary-North West*

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C.M. (Curtis) Zablocki, M.O.M.
Deputy Commissioner
Commanding Officer, RCMP "K" Division
11140 – 109 Street NW
Edmonton AB T5G 2T4

Dear Deputy Commissioner Zablocki:

Thank you for your recent letter requesting the implementation of Article 9 of the Alberta Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA) in order to provide augmentation or the redeployment of Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Alberta Provincial Police Service members. This is in response to a current blockade near the Coutts land border crossing and intelligence suggesting further blockades planned throughout the province. In my opinion, this constitutes an emergency in the Province of Alberta under the Provincial Police Service Agreement.

Pursuant to Article 9.1 of the Alberta PPSA, I authorize the redeployment of the Alberta Provincial Police Service to the extent necessary to maintain law and order, and to ensure the safety of persons and property in the affected communities.

I also recognize that it may become necessary to invoke sub article 9.2 and to seek additional resources by drawing RCMP personnel and/or equipment from elsewhere within the province of Alberta and/or from neighbouring provinces and territories. It would be appreciated if you would notify me if such action is taken.

An increase in strength may not be necessary if the extraordinary demand related to this emergency can be absorbed by temporary redeployment within the Service. It is understood that the Province of Alberta will pay to Canada 100 per cent of all the costs related to any increase in strength, in accordance with paragraph 9.2(b) of the PPSA and that "K" Division has set up a separate collator to track all costs incurred.

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Thank you for your commitment to preserving life and safeguarding our communities during this time of crisis in Alberta.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sonya Savage". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sonya Savage
Acting Minister